House Resolution No. 131

Whereas, Nancy Erdel Oliver of Mexico, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a teacher for twenty-seven years in the Mexico School District of Audrain County; and

Whereas, Nancy Oliver recently enhanced her already impressive record of achievement when she was selected by the Mexico Area Chamber of Commerce as that organization's Educator of the Year for 2007; and

Whereas, Nancy Oliver has served Mexico public schools as a first- and second-grade teacher, Title I reading teacher, librarian, after-school Title I computer reading teacher, and lead teacher in the summer school program and additionally has given of her time and energy to two first-year educators as a Fellows Mentor; and

Whereas, Nancy Oliver also taught in Montgomery, Alabama, while residing in that state for approximately one and one-half years; and

Whereas, known for her upbeat, positive personality and sunny smile, Nancy Oliver brightens the lives of her students while guiding their education; and

Whereas, holder of a Master of Education degree in curriculum and instruction, Nancy Oliver is a twenty-seven-year member of the Missouri State Teachers Association; has served as president, vice president, and secretary of the local Community Teachers Organization; has participated in the Missouri Mentoring Program and Leadership Academy; was a State of Missouri Class 4 MAP trainer; and helped develop the See Me at the Library Event (SMILE) program in partnership with the Audrain County Public Library; and

Whereas, when not engaged in school matters, Nancy Oliver has been busy as a deacon, Sunday School teacher, liturgist, developer of children's sermons, and member of the Missions Committee at First Presbyterian Church; and

Whereas, Nancy Oliver is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved wife of Bruce Oliver; loving mother of Sarah Dickherber and Rebecca Oliver; and devoted daughter of Juanita and the late Roy Erdel:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Nancy Oliver as the Educator of the Year by the Mexico Area Chamber of Commerce and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Nancy Erdel Oliver of Mexico, Missouri.

Offered by

Representative Steve Hobbs

District No. 21

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 131, adopted January 16, 2008.